

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Special Community Affairs Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 25, 2010

12:05 p.m.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present:
Chair: CW Shanklin
Vice Chair: CM Hawkins
Members: CM Henderson

Also Present: CW Green, CW Woolridge, CM Tandy, CW Hamilton, CM Fleming, CM Owen, CW Pugh, CM Blackwell, CW Welch, CM Benson, CM Ackerson, CM Heiner, CM Benson, CM Johnson and CW Flood

Also Present representing their Councilmember: CM Unseld – Donna Sanders, CM King – Rob Holtzman, CM Stuckel, Kip Eatherly and CM Engel – Monica Hodge

Chairman Shanklin began the meeting by announcing the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

Special Items For Discussion: 8th ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM – “REAFFIRMING OUR DIVERSE CULTURE”.

Discussion: CW Shanklin welcomed the guest to Community Affairs 8th Annual Black History Program. She gave a brief background of the Community Affairs Committee.

Invocation: Rev. W. A. Steele, Sr.

National Negro Anthem Everyone

Solo: Mary Kimbrough

“I Have a Dream” Speech O’Dell Henderson

Chairwoman Shanklin and Vice Chair CM Hawkins presented the 2010 Black History Awards to the Honorees below: **(Honorees Bio-Attachment)**

District 1	Norman Martin
District 2	Earscine Mayberry
District 3	Eula Frazier
District 4	Dr. Daniel Withers
District 5	Rudolph “Rudy” Davidson
District 6	Walter Hutchins
District 7	Erwin Roberts
District 8	Dwayne Adams

District 9	Gabriel Fritz
District 10	Mattie Jones
District 12	Dawne Gee
District 13	Thornton Family
District 14	Renee Lovelace
District 15	Tiffany N. Tatum
District 15	Delores Evelyn Stokes
District 17	Thomas Cork, Sr.
District 18	Beverly Truitt
District 19	Dr. T. Vaughn Walker
District 20	Jennifer Colley
District 21	Sgt. Robert Brown
District 22	Thomas Overall
District 24	Ronnie R. Bowman
District 25	William "Bill" Wilson
District 26	Chuck Martin
Ms. Wheelchair Kentucky	Tyandriau Irving

CM Unseld, Legislative Assistant, Donna Sanders recognized Ms. Irving. She stated the following:

The purpose of Ms. Wheelchair Kentucky Pageant is to focus public attention on the abilities and accomplishments since the onset of disability of today's women. We celebrate each candidate self perception of what she can do and how she uses her communication skills to deliver this important message to both disabled and able body groups. The mission of Ms. Wheelchair America Program is to provide an opportunity for women of achievement who utilize wheelchairs to successfully educate an advocate for individuals with disability. On Sunday, November 8, 2009 a panel of Judges declared Tyandriau Irving, Ms. Wheelchair of Kentucky 2010. Tyandriau will travel about Kentucky and will represent Kentucky in the National Program in Long Beach California, July 2010. She resides in Louisville with her mother and her fourteen year old daughter. In the last 12 years she has earned an Associates Degree in Art from Jefferson Community College and a Bachelors Degree in Accounting from Spalding University where she is currently working on her Master's Degree. Her goals are to complete her degree by August 2011 and to drive a car again. Tyandriau believes that life is a challenge and it can be a large maze and if you do not pay attention and follow the rules you will find yourself lost. She describes herself as blessed, an over achiever, encouraging, conquering and charming.

Chairwoman Shanklin and Vice Chair CM Hawkins presented Special Honorees Awards to the following:

WHAS:

Renee Murphy, Adrianna Hopkins, Sherlene Shanklin

WAVE:

Dawne Gee & Shayla Reaves

WLKY:

Carissa Lawson, Ann Bowdan, Natasha Collins, Monica Hardin & Eric King

WDRB:

Stephan Johnson & Bill Alexander

Chairman Shanklin:

On behalf of the Louisville Metro Council we extend our heart filled congratulations and sincere thanks to all of the honorees who have been recognized today. Our city appreciates your efforts and has truly benefited from your tireless and unselfish works in "reaffirming our diverse Culture!"

Closing Remarks

Tom Owen, President of the Metro Council stated the following:

Thanks to the Community Affairs Committee and the Metro Council for allowing them to take this opportunity to honor the persons today and to recognize Black History Month. Our plaques and statuettes handed out today are but a part of an ancient people ritual. We are not the first folks to ever hold up people who are committed, brave, caring and giving to their community. Every peoples have names of rocks, names of valleys, names of schools, names of institutions, statuettes and plaques, that hold up people for recognition and honor But what we did today is not just for today. Those folks who have been honored join community memory as models for inspiration for us all both now and succeeding generations. These statuettes, these plaques wanted go away easily. People in the future will say "who was that" and why were they held up for honor. And so it is not just for today but for succeeding generations that we have paused today to honor these community minded folks. Thank you very much.

Benediction: was given by Dr. T. Vaughn Walker, Pastor

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 1:47 P.M.

A Reception followed immediately after the ceremony in the First Floor Conference Room.

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the March 11, 2009 Council Meeting.**

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